

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Keith D. ALLEN et al.

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Transgenic Mice Containing Serine

Protease Gene Disruptions

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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendments P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed February 11, 2003 in connection with the above-identified application, Applicants request entry and consideration of the following amendments and remarks. Applicants submit concurrently herewith a Petition for the Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) for response to the Office Action for a period of two months from May 11, 2003 up to and including July 11, 2003.

THE AMENDMENTS

Applicants submit that this Amendment follows the revised format described in *AMENDMENTS IN A REVISED FORMAT NOW PERMITTED*, published in *Official Gazette* on February 25, 2003. As such, only one copy of each replacement paragraph, section or claim is required. Further, amendments to the claims are made by presentation of a complete listing of all claims including any amendments.

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